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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Asst. Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Please amend the above application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

✓ Claim 32, line 1, change "26" to --27--.

Please add the following new claim:

--38. A method according to claim 26, wherein the micro detection field is virtually a cylindrical region having an average radius of 200 ± 50 nm and an average length on an optical axis of 2000 ± 500 nm.--

Respectfully submitted,

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